

In the
Indiana Supreme Court



IN THE MATTER OF)
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THE APPOINTMENT OF)
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THOMAS G. FISHER)
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AS SENIOR JUDGE IN THE)
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HANCOCK CIRCUIT AND)
)
SUPERIOR COURTS)

Cause No. 94S00-1112-MS-715

ORDER APPOINTING SENIOR JUDGE

The Judges of the Hancock Circuit and Superior Courts, the Honorable Richard D. Culver, the Honorable Terry K. Snow and the Honorable Dan E. Marshall, have requested the appointment of Senior Judge Thomas G. Fisher for service retroactive to April 3, 2012, pursuant to Ind. Code §33-23-3-1.

This Court adopted revisions to Administrative Rule 5 on December 3, 2003, which made certain changes to the senior judge program in recognition of the importance of senior judges to the administration of justice in Indiana trial courts. Accordingly, we find that Judges Culver, Snow and Marshall have demonstrated the need for additional judicial resources. Senior Judge Fisher has been certified as a senior judge by the Judicial Nominating Commission pursuant to Ind. Code §33-27-4-1. This Court may re-examine the appointment made herein at a later date in light of other circumstances, and make adjustments accordingly.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Senior Judge Thomas G. Fisher is appointed retroactive to April 3, 2012, to serve in the Hancock Circuit and Superior Courts at the discretion of the Judges of the Courts. This appointment shall remain in effect until **December 31, 2012**. Pursuant to Ind. Code §33-23-3-5, the senior judge appointed by this Court in this Order may not

be compensated as senior judge for more than one hundred (100) days in the aggregate during the 2012 calendar year.

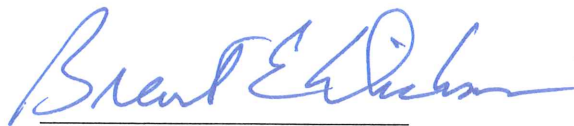
The appointment is contingent upon senior judge day limits established by this Court through separate Orders, and **it shall be incumbent upon the presiding judge of each court to ensure that their court complies with the Order setting senior judge day limits.** Pursuant to Admin. R. 5(B)(4) a senior judge shall have the same jurisdiction as the presiding judge of the court where the senior judge is appointed, but only during the days that the senior judge is serving in such court. Additionally, Admin. R. 5(B)(4) provides that a senior judge who has been appointed to serve in a court shall have the same jurisdiction as the regular judge of the court where he is serving to officiate at marriages at any time during the appointment. A senior judge may retain jurisdiction in an individual case beyond the day of service if the order of the presiding judge of the court in which the case is pending so orders.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a certified copy of this order to the Honorable Richard D. Culver, Hancock Circuit Court, 9 East Main Street, #302, Greenfield, IN 46140-2320; the Honorable Terry K. Snow, Hancock Superior Court 1, 9 East Main Street, #303, Greenfield, IN 46140-2320; the Honorable Dan E. Marshall, Hancock Superior Court 2, 9 East Main Street, #106, Greenfield, IN 46140-2320; the Honorable Thomas G. Fisher; to the clerk of the Hancock Circuit and Superior Courts; the Indiana Judicial Center; to the Judicial Qualifications Commission; and to the Division of State Court Administration, Payroll Section. The Clerk is also directed to post this Order to the Court's website.

The clerk of the Hancock Circuit and Superior Courts is directed: 1) to distribute a copy of this order to the presiding judges of the Hancock Circuit and Superior Courts, 2) to

enter this Order in the Record of Judgments and Orders of the courts, and 3) to post this Order for public inspection.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana this 2nd day of May, 2012.



Brent E. Dickson
Acting Chief Justice of Indiana